

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: more than nineteen percent of Hoosiers are people with disabilities, and their

families and friend extend into a statewide network touching us all; and

WHEREAS: our communities are stronger and enriched when all members are empowered to

live, work and play in accessible, welcoming environments; and

WHEREAS: in order to increase awareness, promote independence, integration and inclusion

of all people with disabilities, the Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities established the month of March as Disabilities Awareness Month;

and

WHEREAS: the theme for the 2014 observance of Disabilities Awareness Month is "Dream to

Dare," which calls each of us to bring vision and energy to the promotion of independence, integration and inclusion of all people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: the Disability Awareness Work Group, a collaboration of agencies, individuals

and caregivers, formed in 2010 to promote activities and awareness year round

through a variety of events and services.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim March, 2014 as

## DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

in Terre Haute, Indiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.



